

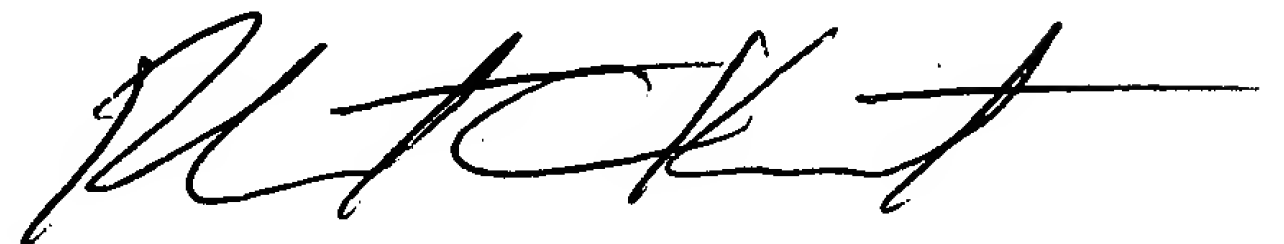
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- ☐ reference is made to the concise explanation set forth below:
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